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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Meetings in 1958

From a list of forthcoming international meetings in „International Associations" of October 1957 we quote, adding planned FID meetings:

Jan/Febr.	- FID Bureau, The Hague
Febr./March	- FID/I „Information services" FID/S „Selection"
May	- 6th Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations approved for consultative arrangements with Unesco, Paris
June 2-12	- Unesco Conference on the international exchange of publications, Paris
June 9-12	- ISO,General Assembly, Harrogate (UK)
June 30-5/7	- International Institute of Welding, Annual Assembly, Vienna
June	- Fédération Internationale des Sociétés d' Ingénieurs et de Techniciens de l'Automobile (FISITA), 8th Congress, Paris
July	- Unesco Seminar on bibliography, Panama City
Aug. 31-6/9	- International Federation for Housing and Town Planning, 24th Congress, Liege (Belgium)
Sept. 3-10	- International Association of Cybernetics, 1st General Assembly, Namur (Belgium)
Sept.	- FID Bureau and Study Committees, The Hague
Sept. 23-25	- International Council for Building Research, Studies and Documentation (CIB), meeting in Brussels
Nov. 16-21	- International Conference on Scientific Information (ICSI), Washington
Nov.	- FID Council and General Assembly, Washington
Nov.	- Unesco, General conference, 10th session, Paris

International Conference on Scientific Information

A progress report of the Programme Committee of ICSI was circulated with F57-100. The Conference will be held at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington D.C. from November 16-21, 1958. The emphasis ofthe Conference is on various aspects of *research* throughout the world, in progress or needed to improve systems for storing and retrieving scientific information.

Papers in one of the 7 areas (see Inf. FID 1957 no. 2 and 10) will be accepted for consideration up to February 3, 1958. They will be reviewed by referees and accepted by the Programme Committee during the spring, edited and printed during the summer, and put in the hands of participants well in advance of the Conference date.

MEETINGS HELD

Advisory Committee for Documentation

The third meeting of the International Advisory Committee for Documentation and Terminology in Pure and Applied Science was held in Paris from September 23 to 25, 1957.

The Committee recommended further action by the Secretariat to stimulate distribution and adoption of the principles contained in the „Guide for the preparation and publication of synopses' (copies available from Dr. Holmstrom, Department of Natural Sciences, Unesco, 19 Avenue Kléber, Paris 16, France). The Committee also recommended to urge that abstracting and indexing services should indicate the principles on which they select material for notice, to encourage them in extending their coverage of patent literature and unpublished reports, to hasten international standardization in the formats of puched cards and slotted cards, to study the hindrances to convey documentation across national frontiers, and to award contracts for certain studies on classification. The Committee also decided to constitute a working group for the study of language barriers as hindrance to communcation.

FID was represented at the meeting by Dr. A. King, President of FID. (from: Unesco Monthly Bull. Scient. Doc. and Term., 15 October 1957)

Conférence bibliographique à Varsovie

Des représentants de la République démocratique allemande, de Bulgarie, Hongrie, Pologne, Roumanie, Tchécoslovaquie, URSS et Yougoslavie ont participé à une Conférence internationale de Bibliographie qui s'est tenue à Varsovie, Pologne, du 19 au 22 septembre 1957. L'ordre du jour comprenait: la notion de la bibliographie nationale, l'organisation de la collecte des matériaux, les modalités de coopération internationale, les accords culturels et des propositions diverses. Un compte-rendu se trouve dans le 'Bulletin des bibliothèques de France' 2ème année, no. 9, septembre 1957, p. 659-662. Une coopération plus étroite dans des questions bibliographiques a été établie parmi ces pays sur la base d'échange de méthodes et de sources bibliographiques.

Cybernetics

The International Association of Cybernetics, created at the First International Cybernetics Congress in Namur (Belgium) in June 1956, organized on December 13 and 14, 1957, two *International Days of Information on the Economic and Social Implications of Automation.*

The Association which has as its aim to ensure a permanent organized liaison between the investigators who pursue work relating to the various branches connected with cybernetics counts its members in 31 countries. It devotes itself to promoting the development of the science of cybernetics and its technical applications, as well as the diffusion of the results obtained in that field. The Secretariat of the Association is at Namur, Belgium, 13 rue Basse-Marcelle.

Brussels Symposium on Library Methods

Le Symposium a eu lieu à Bruxelles du 24-27 octobre 1958. La FID était représentée par Mr. G. Lorphèvre, Secrétaire de l'Association Belge de Documentation. Un trentaine de bibliothécaires européens revenus d'Amérique ont confronté expériences et souvenirs.

MEMBERSHIP

Portugal

The address of our National Committee in Portugal, the Centro de Documentação Científica, Instituto de Alta Cultura, Ministério da Educação Nacional, has been changed to: Campo dos Mártires da Pátria, Lisbon.

VISITS RECEIVED

Prof. Yosoji Ito of the University of Tokyo and member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Japan paid a visit to the General Secretary on November 1, 1957.

Dr. W. Schürmeyer and **Mr. Leslie Wilson**, members of the Ad Hoc Committee established at the Council meeting in Paris in September 1957, visited the General Secretariat on November 19, 1957, after a meeting with Mr. B. J. Geveke on the planning of FID.

UNIVERSAL DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION

Proposals for extension of the UDC

PE 626 (6.11.1957) Comments up to 6.3.1958
Mainly corrections of earlier proposals, in particular German comments resulting from a close study of class 5 during the preparation of the new edition of class 5 as first part of the 2nd complete German edition to appear early in 1958.

PE 627 (6.11.1957) Comments up to 6.3.1958
German proposals for (086.7) and 621-757.32 superseding earlier proposals in PE 604; 550.3 (100),,1957/1958" suggested for the International Geophysical Year; 612.17 Correction of PE 608 (Ext. 3:2); Austrian proposals for 368.44, 621.92/.93, 656.71, 658.53, 67, 68 and 8-35; German comments on PE 590 and PE 622 approved by FID/C 621.3; revision of 621.384.6 proposed by CERN; Dutch proposal for 622.28.

DC 16th edition

The Dewey Decimal Classification Editorial Office has sent preliminary schedules for Edition 16 to more than 200 consultants and critics during the last 3 years and has received thousands of responses from them with suggestions and comments. The final preliminary schedule - that for 780 Music - was distributed on August 20 with replies due by October 1. The editors are now hard at work adjusting preliminary schedules in accordance with comments received, and preparing the relative index. (Libr. of Congress Inf. Bulletin Vol. 16, no. 38, Sept. 23, 1957)

A report of the Editor, Benjamin A. Custer, appeared in Library Resources and Technical Services Vol. 1 no. 4, Fall 1957, p. 165-179, and will also appear in the Wilson Library Bulletin. It is anticipated that the 16th edition will be on the market at the end of 1958.

FID PUBLICATIONS

Bibliography of standards on documentation

The manuscript prepared by Mr. M. Schuchmann of the Deutscher Normenausschuss in Berlin was approved for publication at the Council meeting in Paris in September 1957. The „Bibliography of standards on documentation", registered under FID publ. no. 303, will appear at the end of December 1957. The booklet, about 80 pages, will cost approximately 10 Dutch guilders.

The introduction, headings and index are in German, English and French, the titles of the standards are in the original language with German translations and frequently also with French and English translation. The standards are listed with number, date and title, first according to country, secondly according to subject covered.

1957 Supplement to the Manual

The fourth Supplement to the „Manual on Document Reproduction and Selection" will appear at the end of December 1957. Besides information on new equipment - including the Micro-Master Camera for copying on 105 mm film, the Listomatic Camera for listing of card files on rollfilm, new inexpensive Dutch reading apparatus, and an American pocket size reader for opaque cards - and recent literature - including a comprehensive list given by Mr. Braband in the „Review of Documentation" 1957 no. 4 on photocopyright - a new chapter, 754, has been added dealing with the Eastman Kodak „Minicard" which is still in development. An Index to new items in the Supplements 1955, 1956 and 1957 has been added.

The loose leaf 1953 „Manual on Document Reproduction and Selection" is kept up to date by annual supplements, these were published in 1954, 1955, 1956 and 1957. The subscription rate is 9,60 Dutch guilders per year.

MISCELLANEOUS

Aslib's training courses

Aslib intends to organize a more extensive programme of training courses in special subjects. One on acquisition, handling and exploitation of periodicals and one on advanced classification and indexing have already been announced. There is to be a repeat of the course on handling Soviet and East European material.

Subjects of other courses planned or in preparation are: organization of science and technology, patents and patent law, work with technical reports, production of library and information department publications, good relations with users and presentation of information to management and administration, and mechanical information retrieval. Any inquiries should be sent to Aslib, 4 Palace Gate, London W.8. (from Aslib Proceedings Vol. 9, no. 11, November 1957)

Hungarian Technical Abstracts

Referring to the information given in the preceeding issue of Inf. FID (no. 11) the Director of the Hungarian State Technical Library informs us that single copies of *back* volumes only are available.

CIRCULAR LETTERS

Circular letters of FID contain announcements and reports of meetings, ofthe activities of Study Committees, progress reports on publications etc. They are available on request from the General Secretariat of FID, 6 Willem Witsenplein, The Hague, Netherlands, unless marked with an asterisk.

F57-100 (8.11.1957) Questionnaire to national members on the availability and translations of documents, in particular those published in not generally known languages. (See also F57-111)

F57-101 (8.11.1957) Report of the meeting of FID/CA „General theory of classification" in Paris in September 1957.

F57-102 (8.11.1957) Report of the informal meeting of FID/I „Information services" in Paris in September 1957.

F57-103 (8.11.1957) Report of the informal meeting of FID/S „Selection" in Paris in September 1957.

F57-104 (8.11.1957) Items concerning FID activities in the proposed Unesco programme and budget for 1959/60 submitted to national members for comment.

*F57-105 (8.11.1957) Notes on publicity of FID publications for comments by national members.

*F57-106 (8.11.1957) Proposed agenda for the Bureau meeting early in 1958 for comments by national members.

F57-107 (18.11.1957) Progress report on the fourth edition of the „Index Bibliographicus" of which Vol. 1 (Science and technology) and Vol. 2 (Social sciences) are to appear in 1958.

*F57-108 (29.11.1957) Questionnaire to national members concerning their entries in the 1958 Yearbook of FID.

*F57-109 (29.11.1957) Report on the Brussels Symposium on Library Methods held in October 1957.

F57-110 (29.11.1957) Report of the Programme Committee of the International Conference on Scientific Information (ICSI) to be held in Washington in November 1957.

F57-111 (29.11.1957) Supplement to F57-100 re the availability of documents.